cleared, from policy angle, a proposal to set up a 360 MW joint sector Captive Power Plant in Orissa subject, *inter alia*, to the conditions stipulated by the Central Electricity Authority being fully complied with the requisite clearances and linkages being obtained.

Production of Salbutamol

3412. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Salbutamol, an anti-asthamatic drug is being exported;

(b) if so, what quantity was exported during the last two years; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that this drug is being produced in the country; if so, what are the names of the producers alongwith the licensed and registered capacity of each?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) This Ministry do not monitor the details of exports.

(c) Yes, Sir. Details to the extent available are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the producer	Licensed/ Regd. Capacity
		Kg.
1	M/s. CIPLA . . .	900
2	M/s. FDC (Pvt.) Ltd. .	360
3	M/s. PEFCO Industries .	300
4	M/s. Standard Organics	1.500
	5M/s. Newdand . .	1.200

Production of Mebendazole

3413. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mebendazole is being exported; if so, what is the quantity exported during the last two years, yearwise;

(b) whether it is a fact that the country has attained self-sufficient in the production of this drug as well as its intermediate 3,4-diamin berzophenone: if so, what are the names of the companies permitted to produce this drug and its intermediate along with the licensed and registered capacity of each unit of the bulk drug and the intermediate, separately; and

(c) what is the present customs duty on each and whether it is also a fact that these items are allowed free imports under OGL, if so, what is the justification therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Details of experts are not monitored by this Ministry.

(b) Production of intermediates is not monitored by this Ministry. Demand as estimated by the Seventh Plan Working Group on Drugs and Pharmaceuticals for the year 1986-87 for Mebendazole and Thiabendazole together is of the order of 47 tons. As against this, the production of Mebendazole during 1986-87 is of the offer of 30.38 tons. Other details to the extent available, such as name of the companies licensed|registered, capacity etc. are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(c) The customs duty on Mebendazole in 100 per cent and on 3,4-Diaminobenzophenone is 110 per cent. Both the items are allowed on OGL. The import policy for various drug items is determined by various factors such as indigenous production essentiality etc.